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Stan Meiburg to: Rob Lawrence

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Rob, attached is a very general analysis, mostly focused on ecosystem impacts, that we prepared here in response to this question. I sent it to Al, Larry and Sam already.

Stan



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Rob Lawrence to: Al Armendariz, Sam Coleman, Lawrence Starfield, Carl Edlund, William Honker, Miguel Flores, Jeannine Hale, David Gray, Stan Meiburg, Dennis McLerran, Michael Morton, Myron Knudson, Bryon Griffith, John Ettinger

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Cc: Janet Woodka

Al - the latest MMS statement I saw on energy impacts was that 2 natural gas rigs in the GOM had voluntarily closed in operations (Sunday - Baton Rouge Advocate). If the Miss River flow keeps the spill towards the east, operations at LOOP and Port Fouchon should not be impeded. This is important as 13 to 15 percent of the nation's imported crude comes in through LOOP.

It is unclear if other OCS platforms will close either due to expansion of spill area, safety concerns if burning needs to be carried out near rigs or if rigs need intensive investigation. Massive closures could influence crude and natural gas availability.

▼ Al Armendariz

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From: Al Armendariz
Sent: 04/30/2010 03:40 PM EDT
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R6'ers: let's coordinate through Sam.

Others: looping you in if you want to contribute.

Thanks

Al

▼ Janet Woodka

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From: Janet Woodka
Sent: 04/30/2010 03:30 PM EDT
To: Gina McCarthy; Peter Silva; Mathy Stanislaus; Stan Meiburg; Al Armendariz
Cc: Bob Perciasepe
Subject: BP spill - Long range and cumulative impacts
Hi all -

The WH has asked us (EPA and other resource agencies) to assess the potential long-term and cumulative impacts of the BP oil spill on the ecosystems of the Gulf Coast. I understand that there are many variables and that this is a tough order but we need to start thinking about this and crystalizing the worst case and probable scenarios.

We need you to pull together some thoughts on this. In particular, we need to get some sense of what this situation will look like 15, 30, 60, 90 days from now and what environmental response measures might be necessary. We need to look at the air issues, water issues, and issues associated with debris removal and the disposal of those materials (i.e. landfills). If you think there are additional issues or folks have been left off of this, please let me know.

Bob needs to have something on this by Monday morning for a Deputies meeting at the WH. While it may not be a full analysis and,

even if it was, that analysis would continue to evolve, some preliminary overview is needed. Please let me know if you have concerns or issues, either with the subject or the timeframe.

Thanks in advance for all of your help.

Janet

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